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## In re PATENT APPLICATION of

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## STATUS REQUEST

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests an update as to the status of the above-identified pending application. According to PAIR, no action on the merits has been issued. Applicant notes that the "First Action Prediction" tab in private PAIR states that a First Action will be issued in three (3) months. Assuming this is three (3) months from the filing date, a First Action should have been issued October 18, 2003. Applicant has not received a First Action for the above-identified patent application thus far.

## CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION/ELECTRONIC FILING

This paper (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being electronically filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by the below-named person under the authority of the undersigned agent/attorney of record on February 6, 2007.

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Please promptly direct a response to this request to the undersigned, either by telephone, facsimile, or mail, at your earliest convenience.

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